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MEMORANDUM TO: Prosecution Section (Report No. 298)
THRU: Executive Officer, Legal Section, Manila
SUBJECT: Massacres in Camotes Islands, Cebu, P.I., December 1944.

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II. SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE:

On 8 December 1944, Japanese soldiers rounded up about forty-five Filipino men, women and children in Sitio Canugkey, Pilar, Camotes Islands. The prisoners were tied together by the hands and were led to the seashore in Sitio Toong where they were separated into four groups and then bayoneted. Thirty-seven of the victims were killed while the rest survived despite severe bayonet wounds (R 57, 58, 60, 61, 64, 65, 66).

On 27 December 1944, eight Japanese soldiers took eleven men, women and children from a house in Sitio Cabahit, Pilar, tied seven of them to banana trees and bayoneted them to death. A young man who was slow in leaving the house died immediately after being bayoneted in the chest. Two victims were severely beaten until they fell on the ground unconscious and a Japanese soldier jumped on the body and neck of one of them several times. A three-year-old child was hurled by a Japanese soldier at a horse and fell to the ground unconscious (R 44, 45, 46).

On 29 December 1944, the slaughter of men, women and children in Camotes Islands reached its frenzied height. In Barrio Dapdap, Pilar, between eight hundred and one thousand civilians were assembled in the church, numbered and led out to the fields, coconut plantations and other secluded places where they were bayoneted by Japanese soldiers. Others who were left in the church were bayoneted and shot and then covered with dry banana leaves, coconut leaves and mats. At least seventy-three persons were identified as killed, twenty were wounded, while the rest were also probably killed (R 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21). In Barrio Esperanza, Pilar, more than three hundred people were assembled in the plaza. They were first soaked with water and then Japanese soldiers rushed upon them with fixed bayonets until all the victims fell to the ground. Thirty-seven persons were identified as killed and only about five survived the bayonetting (R 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, 31, 34, 37). And in Sitio Opao, Barrio Lanao, Pilar, about thirty-eight civilians were taken to the mountains and bayoneted. Twenty-eight of these civilians were killed and ten were wounded (R 40, 41, 48, 49).

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一九四六年／昭和廿一年／五月一日

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經由 マニラ／MANILA／法務部行政官
題 目 一九四四年／昭和十九年／十二月
フィリッピン群島 セン
／CEBU／カモテス諸島／CAMOTES
ISLANDS
ニ於ケル虐殺

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證據ノ概略

一九四四年／昭和十九年／十二月八日、日本
兵ハカモテス諸島／CAMOTES
ISLANDS／ピラー／PILAR
ノ、カヌカイ／CANUGAY／廣場ニ約四十五人
ノ、フィリッピンノ男、女、子供ヲ狩リ集メ
マシタ。捕ヘラレタ者互ニ手ヲ縛リ合サ
レテ、ホーング／TOONG／廣場ノ海邊ニ連レ
テ行カレ、ソコテ四ツノ組ニ合ケラレタ後、

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銃剣デ刺サレマシタ。犠牲者ノウチ三十七名ヘ
殺サレマシタガ、残りハ酷イ銃剣傷ヲ負ツタニ
拘ヘラズ生き残りマシタ。(R五七、五八、六
〇、六一、六四、六五、六六。)

一九四四年ノ昭和十九年ノ十二月二十七日、八
名ノ日本兵士ハ十一名ノ男、女、子供ヲビライ
ノPILAR /ノ、カベヒット/CABAHITノ農場
ノ一軒ノ家カラ連れ出シ、ソノウチノ七名ヲ、
バナナノ木ニ縛リツケ銃剣デ刺シ死ニ至ラシメ
マシタ。家ヲ出ルノニ暇取ツタ一人ノ青年ハ胸
ヲ銃剣デ刺サレ即死シマシタ。二名ノ犠牲者ハ酷
ク打擲サレテ遂ニ意識ヲ失ツテ地上ニ倒レマシ
タ。ソシテ一名ノ日本兵士ハソノ一名ノ身体ヤ
頸ノ上ニ敷回跳ビ乗リマシタ。三オノ子供一人
ハ日本兵士ニヨツテ馬ニ投ゲツケラレ意識ヲ失
ツテ地上ニ倒レマシタ。(R四四、四五、四六)

一九四四年ノ昭和十九年ノ十二月二十九日ニハ、
カモテス諸島/CAMOTES ISLANDS /ニ於ケル男、女、
子供ノ虐殺ハ狂^{ISLANDS}暴ノ頂點ニ達シマシタ。ビライ
ノPILAR /ノ、ダツブダツブ/PAPDAP /
部落ニ於テハ八百名乃至千名ノ市民ガ教會ニ集

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メラレ、人数ヲ殺ヘラレ、烟、椰子園及ソノ他
人氣ノナイ場所ヘ逃レテ行カレ、ソコデ日本兵
ニヨツテ銃剣デ刺サレマシタ。教會ニ擲サレタ
他ノ者達ハ銃剣デ刺サレ、射タレタ後、乾イタ
バナナノ葉ヤ椰子ノ葉ヤ薙ヲ被セラレマシタ。
少クトモ七十三名ガ殺サレタト確認サレ、二十
名ガ負傷シ、又残余ノ者モ大方殺サレタデアリ
マセウ。(R一、二、五、六、七、一〇、一一
一二、一五、一六、一九、二〇、二一) ビラ
／PILAR／ノ、エスペランサ／ESPERANZA／部
落ニ於テハ三百名以上ノ人々が廣場ニ集メラレ
マシタ。ソノ者達ハ先ヅ泳シニサレタ後日本
兵ハ装着シタ銃剣ヲ振ツテ彼等ニ飛ビカ、リス
ベテノ犠牲者ヲ地上ニ倒シマシタ。三十七名ハ
死ンダト確認サレ、僅カ五名ガ銃剣デ刺サレ乍
ラモ命ダケハ助カリマシタ。(R二四、二五、
二六、二九、三〇、三一、三四、三七、) 又ビ
ラー／PILAR／ノ、ラナオ／LANAO／部落、
オベオ／OPAO／廣場デハ約三十八名ノ市民ガ
山ヘ逃レテ行カレ銃剣デ刺サレマシタ。此等ノ
市民ノ中二十八名ガ殺サレ十名ガ負傷シマシタ。
(R四〇、四一、四八、四九)

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